MINUTES OF MARCH 2nd, 1921.

The Board of Public Works met at the office of the Board of Public Works in Baltimore, Union Trust Building, Wednesday, March 2nd, at 11:45 o'clock, A. M.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor, E. Brooke Lee, Comptroller, John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

The Board considered the distribution of the proceeds of the \$473,747.30 received from the sale of \$500,000.00 Construction Loan bonds of 1920. The Governor submitted correspondence from different institutions with whom various appropriations were made under Chapter 727 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1920 authorizing the Construction Loan of 1920. The following allotments were made:

For the construction of a new boiler and the purchase of heating plant equipment at <u>Spring Grove State Hospital</u>. Appropriation \$35,000.00; entire pro rata share of net proceeds \$33,176.31.

For the construction of a new barn and for asbestos covering for pipes in the <u>Springfield State Hospital</u>. Appropriation \$40,000.00; entire pro rata share \$37,915.78.

For the construction of boilers and heating plant at the Maryland School for the Deaf. Appropriation \$20,000.00; entire pro rata share \$18,957.89.

For the acquisition of a site in the country and the construction of buildings thereon for the Maryland Industrial Training School for Girls. Appropriation \$100,000.00. Allotment \$40,000.00.

For the construction of a men's dormitory and the reconstruction, repair and completion of other buildings and equipment at the <u>Maryland State College of Agriculture</u>. Appropriation \$203,000.00. Allotment \$100,000.00.

The Board considered the negotiations reported by the Board of the <u>Maryland Industrial Training School for Girls</u> for the sale of the property occupied by the Institution at 1600 N. Carey Street. The Secretary was directed to notify the Board of the Institution that the Governor would personally investigate the plans and resources of the proposed purchasers, and submit the information for final action by the Board.

The Secretary was directed to notify General Henry M. Warfield to renew the insurance amounting to \$123,700 previously placed through him on the buildings at the Maryland House of Correction, which insurance policies expire on March 7th, 1921.

The Secretary reported that he had written the following letter to Senator William Milnes Maloy, Chairman of the Public Service Commission.

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"March 1st, 1921,

Hon. William M. Maloy, Chairman Public Service Commission, Munsey Building, Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Sir;

The Board of Public Works has received a notice that North

Avenue, from McMechen Street to Charles Street, is to be repaved by the City. The State owns a vacant lot on Maryland and North Avenues. The City Paving Commission has notified the Board of Public Works that if gas, water, electric, sewer or other supply is needed the pipes should be installed now.

At the present time there are no buildings on the lot, but it is possible that the Board of Public Works may sell within the next year or two, and it may be that the price would be affected by the power of the purchaser to obtain needed gas, electric or sewer supply.

I have been informed that there are some pipes on the North Avenue side of the lot, but whether they are for gas, electric or sewer supply, I do not know. The Board of Public Works will appreciate it if you will have your Engineering Department make a report on what supply can be furnished through existing pipes, whether the same are adequate, and what, if anything, should be done before the improved paving is completed. We have been requested by the Gas Company and also by the City to act as promptly as possible.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Philip B. Perlman,

Secretary of State."

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The Board of Public Works decided to await the report of the Public Service Commission requested in the above letter before taking any action with respect to the property at Maryland and North Avenues.

The Secretary reported that he had arranged with Mr. Albert H. Wehr, the State Purchasing Agent, for the payment by the Board of \$2,000.00 annually toward the <u>rent</u> incurred by the State Purchasing Bureau and the State Employment Commissioner, the money to be paid at the rate of \$166.66 montly out of the appropriation for rent to the Board of Public Works. The plan was approved by the Board.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

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